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## Governor Evers Vetoes Significant Items From a Bipartisan Budget

**Madison** – State Representative Chuck Wichgers (R-Muskego) voted to approve a state budget for the next two years that gives \$3.4 billion in tax relief, eliminates the personal property tax, and meets critical needs in local roads and highways, long-term and mental health. Governor Evers today used his line-item veto to recklessly play political games and jeopardize essential state funding.

"I voted for this budget because it mirrors the priorities of my district. The tax cuts in this budget mean that Wisconsinites get to decide how to spend their money, rather than Madison bureaucrats.

"We were able to collapse income tax rates from 6.27 % to 5.3% which is a \$2.3 billion income tax cut and combined with property tax cuts it results in savings for an average family of \$1,200.

"One of the most important natural resources in the 83<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District is the Fox River. I advocated for the inclusion of \$200,000 in this budget for the Southeastern Wisconsin Fox River Commission (SEWFRC) to pursue grant funding to alleviate environmental degradation along the Fox River. I am glad to see this funding will remain in the budget the governor signed today.

"The governor stated that he will veto the personal property tax – a measure supported by both Democrats and Republicans. In addition, he will not transfer money to our state's rainy day fund. In total, the governor vetoed or partially vetoed fifty separate items from a bipartisan budget for which neither side of the legislature asked."

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The 83rd Assembly District includes Muskego, Waterford, Big Bend, Vernon, Village of Waukesha, East Troy, Franklin, and Hales Corners.